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For: MICROCAPSULE, AND HEAT-SENSITIVE RECORDING MATERIAL AND
MULTICOLOR HEAT-SENSITIVE RECORDING MATERIAL USING THE SAME

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An English language abstract, submitted herewith, constitutes a concise statement of relevance for Japanese Patent No. 3266330 and is also cited and discussed on page 10 of the above and identified specification.

Koji Sato et al., Journal of Image Electronics Society, Vol. 11, No. 4, 1982, pp.290 to 296 is cited and discussed on page 2 of the above and identified specification.

Tomoshi Kondo, in “Microcapsule”: The Nikkan Kogyo Shimbun, Ltd., 1970 and Tamotu Kondo, in “Microcapsule”: Sankyo Shuppan, 197 is cited and discussed on page 4 of the above and identified specification.

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